

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH A B S T R A C T

Public Services – Treasuries and Accounts Department – Allegation of corruption of demand and acceptance of bribe against Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana, formerly Sr. Accountant, O/o Divisional Treasury Office, (West) Vijayawada, Krishna District – Trapped on 18-01-2013 – Sanction for Prosecution – Accorded – Orders - Issued.

FINANCE (ADMN-III) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 80 Dated: 11- 04-2014 ORDER:

- 1. WHEREAS, Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana, S/o K.V.S.Nageswara Rao worked as Sr. Accountant, O/o Divisional Treasury Office (West) Vijayawada, Krishna District from 25-06-2011 to 18-01-2013 and by virtue of the post held by him, he falls under the category of a Public Servant as defined under section 2 © of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.
- AND WHEREAS, it is alleged that Sri Harthour Soloman Raju, is an Armed Reserved Constable in Vijayawada City Police Commissionerate and he is the writer, 5th Platoon of CAR Headquarters, Vijayawada. Armed Reserved in Vijayawada city consists of 11 Platoons and the men will get surrender leave salary encashment every year during the month of January. In this regard encashment of surrender leave bills were sent to the Divisional Treasury Office (West) Vijayawada. As the above bills were pending for sanction, on 17-01-2013 Sri Vijaya Saradhi, RI-I instructed Sri Harthour Soloman Raju to enquire about the surrender leave bills at concerned Treasury Office. Accordingly Sri Harthour Soloman Raju went to the Treasury Office and when met Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana, he demanded Rs.3,500/- bribe to pass the bill. When Sri Harthour Soloman Raju requested Sri. Koutharapu Venkata Ramana, he reduced the bribe to Rs. 2,500/- and instructed Sri Harthour Soloman Raju to bring the bribe amount next day evening informing that he would see that the bills are passed and credited to the respective bank accounts, failing which the bills would not be passed. Then Sri Harthour Soloman Raju informed about the demand of bribe by Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana to the AR, RI(I), who advised Sri Harthour Soloman Raju to lodge a report with the DSP, ACB, Vijayawada on which Sri Harthour Soloman Raju to lodged a report with the DSP, ACB, Vijayawada on 17-01-2013. Having received the report, the DSP, ACB, Vijayawada Range, after observing procedural formalities, registered a case in Cr. No.02/RCT-VJA/2013 on 18-01-2013 at 13:30 hours and submitted FIR to the concerned.
- 3. AND WHEREAS, after completion of the pre trap proceedings the trap party left to the office of Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana on 18-01-2013, where he was successfully trapped when he further demanded and accepted the bribe amount of Rs.2,500/- from Sri Harthour Soloman Raju. The chemical test conducted on the fingers of both hands of Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana yielded positive results. In pursuance of the information furnished by him the tainted amount of Rs. 2,500/- was recovered from his left side shirt pocket. When compared, the serial numbers of the recovered currency notes were found to tally with those of the serial nos. of the currency notes handed over by Sri Harthour Soloman Raju during pre-trap proceedings. The chemical test conducted on the inner linings of the left side shirt pocket of Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana, in which the tainted amount was found, also yielded positive result. The DSP seized the tainted amount, resultant solutions, shirt of the accused officer, relevant records and examined the witnesses.

- 4. AND WHEREAS, the above said acts of Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana formerly Senior Accountant, O/o. Div. Treasury Office (West) Vijayawada, Krishna District constitute offences punishable under section 7 and 13 (1) (d) read with 13 (2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.
- 5. AND WHEREAS, Government of Andhra Pradesh being the competent authority to remove Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana, formerly Senior Accountant, O/o. Div. Treasury Office (West) Vijayawada, Krishna District from service after fully and carefully examining the material (i.e., FIR, Mediator Reports, statement of witnesses, made up files, explanation of Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana, final report of D.G., A.C.B., etc) placed before them in respect of the said allegations and the circumstances of the case consider that Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana, formerly Senior Accountant, O/o. Div. Treasury Office (West) Vijayawada, Krishna District should be prosecuted in a Court of Law.
- 6. NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by Clause (b) of Sub Section (1) of Section 19 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988. The Government hereby accord sanction for the Prosecution of Sri Koutharapu Venkata Ramana, formerly Senior Accountant, O/o Div. Treasury Office (West), Vijayawada, Krishna District for the above said offences punishable under sections 7 & 13 (1) (d) read with 13 (2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and for any other cognate offences punishable under any other provisions of Law for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr. D. SAMBASIVA RAO PRL.SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FP)

To,
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